

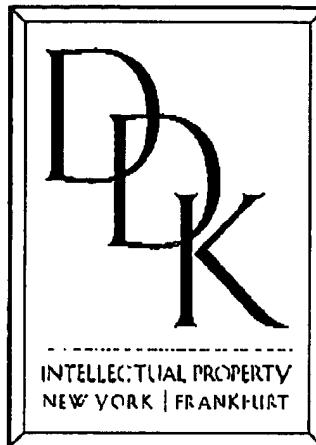
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In re application of: **David Elliot WHITTEN**
 Serial No.: **09/456,869**
 Filed: **12/08/99**
 For: **DEVICE FOR SEIZING OF FLAT MATERIAL ON A TRANSPORTING SURFACE**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Final Office Action (4 pgs) in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
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